



UNDERSTANDING YOUR FINANCIAL AID OFFER

Your offer of financial aid from UW-River Falls is available to review and accept through your UWRF web portal (eSIS).

The types of aid and the amounts offered are based on the information you reported on your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and the eligibility rules which apply to each financial aid program.

Depending on the type of financial aid being offered, additional steps may be required before the money can be paid toward your UWRF tuition, fees and other charges on your student billing account.

If you applied for selective scholarships, they will be awarded starting March 1.

Contact the Financial Aid Office at 715-425-3141 or finaid@uwrf.edu.

Viewing and Accepting Your Aid

To accept, reduce or decline your financial aid offer, follow these steps:

1. Log into your eSIS account with your UWRF student ID number (W number) and password.
2. From your eSIS Student Center (homepage), click on View Financial Aid.
3. Choose the academic year (new students have only one aid year available).
4. View your award for the year and read all information provided.
5. Click on Accept/Decline Awards. Next, you'll need to accept, reduce or decline the amount of any [grant](#), work study and/or loan offers on this page. Click the "Accept" box next to the type of financial aid offered. You can reduce the amount [of loans and work](#) before acceptance by clicking on the "Accept" box and entering your desired amount. To indicate you do not wish to accept a type of financial aid, click "Decline."
6. Click "Submit" when finished.

Note: If you later wish to make changes to the financial aid you have accepted or declined, please contact the UWRF Financial Aid office to speak with a financial aid counselor.

Processing Student Loans

If you have accepted the Federal Direct Loan included in your offer of financial aid, and you have not received one before, you must complete three additional steps to finalize your loan.

1. Complete an Online Entrance Counseling tutorial provided by the U.S. Department of Education at studentaid.gov and click on Complete Aid Process.
2. Complete the Master Promissary Note process for a Subsidized/Unsubsidized Loan at the same web site.
3. Complete the Annual Student Loan Acknowledgement at the same website.